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Timely reporting of communicable disease is essential for their control. If you suspect or have confirmation of the following specified Reportable Communicable Diseases or their etiologic agents, (as per Ontario Regulation 135/18 and amendments under the Health Protection and Promotion Act) please report them to the local Medical Officer of Health:

Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS) Acute Flaccid Paralysis Amoebiasis Anaplasmosis <b>*Anthrax</b> Babesiosis Blastomycosis <b>*Botulism</b> <b>*Brucellosis</b> <i>Campylobacter</i> enteritis Carbapenemase-producing Enterobacteriaceae (CPE) Chancroid Chickenpox (Varicella) <i>Chlamydia trachomatis</i> infections <b>*Cholera</b> <b>*Clostridium difficile Infection (CDI) outbreak in public hospitals</b> <b>*Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease, all types</b> <b>*Coronavirus, novel including</b> <b>1. *SARS</b> <b>2. *MERS</b> <b>3. COVID-19</b> <b>*Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease, all types</b> Cryptosporidiosis Cyclosporiasis <b>*Diphtheria</b> <i>Echinococcus multilocularis</i> infection Encephalitis, including: 1. Primary, viral 2. Post-infectious 3. Vaccine-related 4. Subacute sclerosing panencephalitis 5. Unspecified	Food poisoning, all causes <b>*Gastroenteritis, outbreaks in institutions and public hospitals</b> Giardiasis (symptomatic cases only) Gonorrhoea <b>*Group A Streptococcal disease, invasive (iGAS)</b> Group B Streptococcal disease, neonatal <b>*Haemophilus influenzae disease, all types, invasive</b> <b>*Hantavirus Pulmonary Syndrome</b> <b>*Hemorrhagic fevers, including:</b> <b>1. *Ebola virus disease</b> <b>2. *Marburg virus disease</b> <b>3. *Lassa Fever</b> <b>3. *Other viral causes</b> <b>*Hepatitis, viral</b> <b>1. *Hepatitis A</b> 2. Hepatitis B 3. Hepatitis C Influenza, including <b>*Novel strains</b> Legionellosis Leprosy Listeriosis Lyme Disease <b>*Measles</b> <b>*Meningitis, acute</b> <b>1. *Bacterial</b> 2. Viral 3. Other <b>*Meningococcal disease, invasive</b> Mumps Ophthalmia neonatorum	Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning Paratyphoid Fever Pertussis (Whooping Cough) <b>*Plague</b> Pneumococcal disease, invasive <b>*Poliomyelitis, acute</b> Powassan Virus Psittacosis/Ornithosis <b>*Q Fever</b> <b>*Rabies</b> <b>*Respiratory infection outbreaks in Institutions and public hospitals</b> <b>*Rubella</b> Rubella, congenital syndrome Salmonellosis <b>*Shigellosis</b> <b>*Smallpox and other Orthopoxviruses including Monkeypox</b> Syphilis Tetanus Trichinosis Tuberculosis Tularemia Typhoid Fever <b>*Verotoxin-producing E. coli infection indicator conditions including Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome (HUS)</b> West Nile Virus Illness Yersiniosis
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Note: **Diseases marked \* (and Influenza in institutions) should be reported immediately to the Medical Officer of Health by telephone and or fax..** Other diseases are to be reported by the next working day by fax or mail.

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## COMMUNICABLE DISEASE REPORTING CONTACT NUMBERS AND ADDRESS

**Fax or call report to the place of residence (health unit jurisdiction) of where the patient lives AND the Toronto Unit (where testing is done).**



To locate the health unit jurisdiction, go to [PHU Locator](#)

<b>For Toronto Patients:</b> <b>CDSU</b> <b>277 Victoria St., 10<sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto, ON M5B 1W2</b> <b>Phone: 416-392-7411</b> <b>Fax: 416-392-0047</b> <b>After Hours for TORONTO and outside City of Toronto boundaries): 416-392-CITY (2489) or 3-1-1</b>
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### Printing MOH notifications from SoftMic Procedure:

1. Report Controller performs this task daily (Monday to Friday).
2. Fax report on regular hours 8:30 am to 4:30 pm; phone on after hours
3. To print a report manually, open specimen in order entry and select report layout MIC11B. Print preview to view report.
4. If the information on the report appears to be correct, select print and choose the printer from the list to which you want to print the report.
5. Give the printed reports and the epidemiology list of orders that qualify to be reported to the MOH to a charge technologist for checking.
6. Once the reports are checked, fax the reports to the MOH: **416-392-0047**. For patients residing in area other than Toronto, fax another report to the patient's local Health Unit. Locate the health unit jurisdiction of the patient through [http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/common/system/services/phu/location\\_areas.aspx#3](http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/common/system/services/phu/location_areas.aspx#3)
7. Once the reports are faxed, documentation of notification must be added to the patient record. Under the test window for each order, select >MOHT from the main keypad. Choose the appropriate health unit statement from keypad. Re-status the isolate and test appropriately.

### Reference:

<https://www.toronto.ca/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/989f-PublicHealthReportable-DoPHSJuly2023.pdf>

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